

Geo. J. Tillotson, Apr: 8. 1845.

Brooklyn Apr: 8<sup>th</sup> 1845.

Brother Phelps,

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After 10 o'clock last eve<sup>2</sup> I wrote you a letter respecting a late div.<sup>2</sup> at the Merchants Bank &c, & sent it early this morning by <sup>conveyance</sup> private to be left at the Boston Post Office for you. In it, I stated that I did wish you to pay the principal of your note this spring, unless you preferred to do so. This afternoon I rec<sup>2</sup> yr letter requesting a quit claim deed &c. At yr solicitation I have attended to the matter, & the instrument is inclosed, made out in due form, & in lawyer like hand writing almost illegible, by one of the lawyers of my ch., for which he refused to take any fee.

In my letter of last eve<sup>2</sup> I spoke of your providing my Bank div.<sup>2</sup> to me here. But as you conclude to pay the note, I think it most probable I shall soon make an investment in some Banks or insurance stock in Boston. In my letter I requested you to make inquiries at B. respecting the National Insurance Co. You need not send me the div.<sup>2</sup> sent to at present.

Your note of 400 dollars was given Aug<sup>5</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> 1841. On it is endorsed May 20<sup>th</sup> 1842. Eighteen dollars & int<sup>5</sup> up to May 4<sup>th</sup> 42. 24 dollars was endorsed May 4<sup>th</sup> 1843. & int<sup>5</sup> up to that date. May 4<sup>th</sup> 1844. 26 dollars was endorsed, & interest up to June 4<sup>th</sup>. Since that time & interest has accrued, which at 2 doll. p. month

will be on the 4th of May next 22 dollars; or up to the 19th of the same month which is nearer the time when you will wish to pay it, we will be 21 dollars due as interest. I shall be very happy to see you in Brooklyn again. Yet I do not wish you to come this way for the sake of paying the money here. As I shall leave most prob<sup>bly</sup> invest it in Boston. Besides, I expect to leave on Saturday & spend the day in Chappaqua 10 miles west of this on my way to Hartford & Farmington. My wife is at her father's in Hartford, on a visit. I am going after her, & on our return, I am to recommence housekeeping, after having been a boarder more than 5 successive years. I expect to be in Hartford at Mrs. Charles Seymour's, Pratt St. on Monday P.M. & at Farmington the next day in & P.M. I hope & may see you in one place or the other. If you are in Farmington on Tuesday, please & not lose the pleasure of meeting you at my father's house. I prob<sup>bly</sup> shall not leave H.C. for Farmington before 11 or 12 o'clock on Tuesday. I shall make some inquiries about investments there. You will see by my letter at Boston; I have had favorable of "Nat<sup>l</sup>. Inv<sup>g</sup>. Co." P.D. at Boston, which has of late averaged 15 per cent, & has of late sold for about 52 or 53 dollars for 50 which is a share. I wish you to make inquiries about <sup>this</sup> & other stocks as to what will be the safest & best for me, at present prices. I have not regarded it a very good time to buy stock, because the price is up so high. Stephen Brown, a stock broker & connection, I once consulted. & he seemed very candid & intelligent on the subject. He will <sup>now</sup> ~~cheerfully~~ give you his advice now, for a minister's benefit. If I put it in bank; which, at present is most desirable, price & all things

concerned? If in this Co- which is best at present prices? Is  
+ Natl Ins<sup>c</sup> Co - judiciously conducted. Good business  
men at + head of it. I shall wish to invest \$ 2000 ~~all~~  
some where. You can ascertain + right men to engine-  
er. If others think as highly <sup>I have</sup> of "Natl Ins<sup>c</sup> Co", as I have  
been inclined to do, you may order Brown to buy for  
me 10 fifty dollar <sup>bills</sup>, if he can get them as low as \$ 3 or 54,  
& first, opportunity; & pay in all my dues for it & make  
out & rest & I will pay you + balance immedi-  
ately. Let me hear from you on this subject,  
soon after your return to Boston. I shall  
hope to see you in Farmington on 7c<sup>o</sup>.  
to to ins<sup>c</sup> stock; I bore that it w<sup>t</sup> be more safe, &  
higher also, after + city water works are completed.  
Inquire whether + mutual insurance Co: will prob-  
ably operate against + other Co: hereafter. Does "Natl  
Ins<sup>c</sup> Co" take pecuniary risks at all?

In haste, yrs fraternally

G. J. Tillotson

Dividends at Bank to be sent on. I do  
not hear fr T. in two or three weeks  
Inquiries - above to be made + sent  
to him.

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